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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

A translation of a portion of a Japanese Office Action that issued May 30, 2003 with respect to a counterpart Japanese patent application is provided below.

"Note

(For a list of the cited literature, see the List of Cited Literature.)

Claims: 1 through 6
Cited Literature: 1 and 2

Remarks

Cited Literature 1 (and in particular, Figure 8 and Paragraphs 38 and 39) describe effecting high-speed operations in a router through pipeline control using a routing control receiving process, a transmission process, an input search, and an output search process.

Furthermore, when it comes to the routing address search, the use of CAM is seen as being a well-known technology, such as described in Cited Literature 2 (and in particular, in paragraph 43 thereof).

Notification will be provided if new reasons for rejection are discovered.

List of Cited Literature

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2000-244571
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2000-151709."

Applicant's statements regarding the Japanese Office Action is based on a partial translation that Applicant's representative obtained. This statement should in no way be considered as an agreement by Applicant with, or an admission of, what is asserted in the Japanese Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

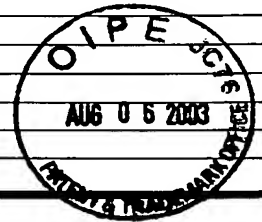
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